

(Warren, OH) – Today, Congressman Ryan (OH-17) announced a grant totaling \$18,136 for the Palmyra Township Fire Department from the Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG) program of the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Department of Homeland Security. In April 2010, the Palmyra Township Fire Department received \$55,955 through the AFG program.

**“I am excited to announce additional assistance for Palmyra Township,”** Congressman Ryan said. **“The safety of firefighters and first responders is a high priority, and this grant funding helps to fill budget gaps for small municipalities during difficult economic times. I will continue pushing for additional federal funding for local governments who struggle to provide needed resources for the brave men and women in our fire and police departments.”**

The AFG program awards grants directly to fire departments and EMS organizations to enhance their ability to protect the health and safety of the public – as well as that of the first-responder personnel. Since 2001, AFG has helped firefighters and other first responders to obtain critically needed equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, training, and other resources needed to protect the public and emergency personnel from fire and related hazards.

For more information, visit the program's [website](#) .

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